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SUITABLE FOR USE IN A	)	Dated: October 11, 2007
HAZARDOUS AREA OF A	)	
PROCESS PLANT	)	
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Group Art Unit: 2836	)	
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**AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION  
DATED JUNE 11, 2007**

MS Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated June 11, 2007, applicants respectfully request the examiner to reconsider the rejection of the claims in view of the following comments as set forth below.

**A Listing of the Claims** begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 12 of this paper.